

## State of Rhode Island Revenue Brief FY 2008 Cash Collections through August 2007

Beginning in FY 2004, the State of Rhode Island Budget Office presented a more comprehensive assessment of fiscal year-to-date revenue collections. In particular, the Revenue Brief now contains information on the Other General Revenue Sources. These sources include the Gas Tax Transfer, Other Miscellaneous Revenues, the Lottery Transfer, and the Unclaimed Property remittance.

*Users of the report should be cautious when comparing year-to-date growth rates to the revised growth estimate for Other Miscellaneous Revenues and Unclaimed Property as the receipt of these revenues is not continuous. That is, for these two general revenue categories, payments are received at discrete points in time over the course of a fiscal year. Further complicating matters is the fact that the discrete pattern of receipts varies so that payments received do not necessarily occur at the same point in time in each fiscal year.*

### **Total General Revenues**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 7.4 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 52.1%	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 34.3 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$3.473 Billion	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$604.7 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$537.4 Million

Fiscal Year 2008 total general revenues collected through August 2007 have increased by 52.1 percent as compared to Fiscal Year 2007 total general revenues collected through August of last year. For the fiscal year-to-date period through August 2007, total general revenues were \$604.7 million as compared to \$397.7 million for the same period last year, an increase of \$207.0 million. Due to various causes, which are detailed below, adjustments need to be made to the fiscal year-to-date data for both FY 2007 and FY 2008. It is important to note that, in August 2007, \$124.0 million in net proceeds from the sale of residual Tobacco settlement bonds were posted to the General Fund. This large one-time receipt will not be removed to calculate the adjusted year-to-date cash growth as it was enacted in the FY 2008 legislative session and is an expected, though non-recurring, source of general revenues.

The FY 2007 Hospital Licensing Fee was due by July 16, 2007. A portion of the fee, \$4.4 million, was received in June 2007 and the remainder, \$66.8 million, was received in July 2007. Because the cash received in July 2007 accrued back to FY 2007, the \$66.8 million paid in July of FY 2008 must be adjusted out of total general revenues for July 2007 to accurately reflect year-to-date FY 2008 revenues. The difference in payment schedule between fiscal years causes cash growth in departmental licenses and fees to appear higher than actual revenue growth before adjusting for this payment. The FY 2008 Hospital Licensing Fee is due to the State by July 14, 2008, and will accrue back to FY 2008 if received during the fiscal year 2009 period, per the FY 2008 Appropriations Act.

In FY 2007, no Judiciary fines and penalties were posted as general revenues through August 2006. In FY 2008, \$2.4 million in Judicial departmental fines and penalties have been posted through August 2007. Currently, the Judiciary is working with the Division of Information Technology (DOIT) to integrate its revenue collection system with the Rhode Island Financial Accounting Network Systems (RIFANS). This move is anticipated to improve the efficiency and timeliness of posting new revenues to the general ledger.

In Fiscal Year 2008, motor vehicle revenues were understated by \$1.8 million due to the late posting of interstate trucking payments that are made to the forty-nine other states and Canada. Until FY 2005, this posting was made in June of each fiscal year. Beginning in FY 2005, this posting was not done until the following fiscal year. This pattern of late posting has since continued in each following fiscal year. The FY 2006 payments were made in August 2006, resulting in FY 2007 motor vehicle license and fees being understated by \$2.4 million.

The final tally for the Tax Amnesty provided at the May 2007 Revenue Estimating Conference (REC) run from July 1, 2006 through September 31, 2006 brought in \$1.3 million in late and overdue taxes identified as general revenues in July and August 2006. These tax collections were late or overdue are therefore attributable to prior years. However, because the estimated revenues resulting from the Tax Amnesty were included in the FY 2007 revenue base, these collections will not be adjusted out of the reported FY 2007 revenues.

Accounting for revenue adjustments yields an adjusted rate of growth for the fiscal year-to-date period through August 2007 of 34.3 percent. It should be noted that the adjusted year-to-date growth rate is not necessarily indicative of the projected annual growth. The FY 2008 enacted growth estimate is an increase of 7.4 percent in total enacted FY 2008 general revenues over final enacted FY 2007 collections.

### **Taxes and Departmental Receipts**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 5.1 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 21.7 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 2.9 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$2.974 Billion	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$450.8 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$383.5 Million

The State of Rhode Island Budget Office reports that FY 2008 taxes and departmental receipts collected through August 2007 have increased by 21.7 percent as compared to FY 2007 collections for the comparable period a year ago. For the fiscal year-to-date period ending August 2007, total taxes and departmental receipts were \$450.8 million as compared to \$370.3 million for the same period last fiscal year, an increase of \$80.5 million.

The Hospital Licensing Fee, the motor vehicle licenses and fees late interstate trucking payments, and late judiciary postings result in a \$(64.9) million adjustment in FY 2008 for comparability between fiscal years. The motor vehicle licenses and fees late interstate trucking payments result in a \$2.4 million adjustment in FY 2007 for comparability between fiscal years. These modifications yield a FY 2008 adjusted growth rate in taxes and departmental receipts of 2.9 percent. The FY 2008 enacted growth estimate projects an increase of 5.1 percent in total taxes and departmental receipts over final enacted FY 2007 collections.

### **Other General Revenue Sources**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 23.2 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 461.4 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 461.4 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$499.3 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$153.9 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$153.9 Million

FY 2008 other general revenue sources collected through the first two months of the fiscal year have increased by 461.4 percent as compared to collections through the first two months of fiscal year 2007. Other general revenue sources include the Gas Tax Transfer to the general fund, Other Miscellaneous Revenues, the Lottery Transfer to the general fund, and Unclaimed Property that is transferred to the State in June of each fiscal year. The FY 2008 enacted growth estimate for other general revenue sources projects an increase of 23.2 percent in other general revenue sources over final enacted FY 2007 collections. For the fiscal year-to-date period ending August 2007, total other general revenue sources were \$153.9 million as compared to \$27.4 million for the same period last year, an increase of \$126.5 million. Of the \$126.5 million increase, \$124.0 million represents the net proceeds from the sale of residual Tobacco settlement bonds that were posted to the General Fund as an Other Miscellaneous Revenue. The Lottery Transfer to the general fund is first reported in August of the new fiscal year and the Unclaimed Property transfer to the general fund is reported in June of the fiscal year.

### **Total Taxes**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 2.8 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> -0.9 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> -1.0 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$2.611 Billion	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$344.9 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$346.7 Million

Total tax revenues for the fiscal year-to-date period through August 2007 were \$344.9 million, or 0.9 percent less than the \$347.9 million in total taxes collected in FY 2007 through August 2006. The FY 2008 enacted growth estimate for tax collections is 2.8 percent over final enacted FY 2007 tax collections. In FY 2007, the Tax Amnesty program resulted in late tax payment and overdue interest collections totaling \$1.3 million through August 2006, of which \$1.3 million were general revenue taxes. In FY 2008, motor vehicle license and fee revenues were underreported by \$1.8 million due to the late payment of FY 2007 interstate trucking fees. In FY 2007, motor vehicle license and fee revenues were underreported by \$2.3 million due to the late payment of FY 2006 interstate trucking fees. These modifications yield an adjusted growth rate -1.0 percent in total taxes.

### **Personal Income Taxes**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 2.5 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 4.2 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 4.2 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$1.083 Billion	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$139.6 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$139.6 Million

Actual personal income tax collections for FY 2008 through for the first two months of the fiscal year were up \$5.6 million, or 4.2 percent, compared to the same period last fiscal year. The FY 2008 year-to-date growth rate exceeds the enacted FY 2008 over final enacted FY 2007 growth rate of 2.5 percent in personal income tax collections. The Tax Amnesty program, ending September 30, 2006, contributed with \$347,871 in personal income tax collections in fiscal year 2007 through the end of August.

FY 2008 year-to-date income tax refunds paid were less by \$654,164 or -5.4 percent, compared to the same period in FY 2007. The -5.4 percent actual growth in cash income tax refunds paid between FY 2008 and FY 2007 is less than the enacted growth rate for income tax refunds paid of 2.0 percent. In spite of this lag in income tax refunds paid, on average over the last five fiscal years only 4.7 percent of total income tax refunds are paid in the first two months of the fiscal year.

Income tax withholding payments have grown by \$7.1 million, or 5.4 percent, through the first two months of FY 2008 when compared to the same period in FY 2007. The 5.4 percent actual growth in cash withholding payments between FY 2008 and FY 2007 is higher than the enacted growth estimate for income tax withholding payments of 4.2 percent. On average, over the past five fiscal years, 15.0 percent of income tax withholding payments are collected in the first two months of the fiscal year.

There has been a decrease in final income tax payments received. Fiscal year-to-date final income tax payments were down \$1.3 million, or -17.1 percent, through August of FY 2008 as compared to final payments for the first two months of FY 2007. The -17.1 percent actual growth in cash final income tax payments received between FY 2008 and FY 2007 is substantially lower than the enacted growth rate for final income tax payments received of 3.1 percent. Despite this sizeable difference in growth rates, the decrease in final income tax payments received is minor and of little consequence given that, on average, over the last five fiscal years only 3.8 percent of total final income tax payments are received in the first two months of the fiscal year.

Finally, with respect to estimated income tax payments, year-to-date FY 2008 collections were down \$511,463 million from FY 2007 collections at this time last year. This decrease translates into a fiscal year-to-date growth rate of -6.4 percent. The -6.4 percent actual growth in cash estimated income tax payments received between FY 2008 and FY 2007 is higher than the enacted growth rate for estimated income tax payments received of -9.9 percent. On average, over the last five fiscal years only 3.7 percent of total estimated income tax payments are made by the end of August.

### **Sales and Use Taxes**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 2.7 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> -0.7 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> -0.7 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$908.7 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$158.3 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$158.3 Million

Sales and use tax collections in FY 2008 were down \$1.2 million, or -0.7 percent, relative to last fiscal year at this time. The Division of Taxation reports that \$876,633 of sales and use taxes

collected through August 2006 were attributable to the Tax Amnesty. As always, the monthly sales tax receipts reported here reflect the prior month's retail sales activity. For both FY 2007 and FY 2008, the state's sales tax rate is 7.0 percent. The -0.7 percent growth in sales and use tax revenues for fiscal year-to-date 2008 is lower than the enacted FY 2008 over final enacted FY 2007 sales and use tax collections growth estimate of 2.7 percent.

According to the Division of Taxation, within the sales tax components, registry receipts were up 4.0 percent in the first two months of FY 2008 when compared to same period last fiscal year. Net sales tax receipts remitted directly to the Division of Taxation posted a decrease of 1.8 percent during FY 2008's first two months versus the first two months of FY 2007. Providence Place Mall (PPM) sales tax receipts were up 26.3 percent through August of FY 2008 versus the same period in FY 2007. The robust growth in PPM sales tax receipts for July and August 2007 were likely substantially impacted to two events cited by Bloomberg News as a boost to national retail sales; the sale of Apple's new iPhone and the launch of the latest Harry Potter book. PPM hosts both an Apple Store and a Border's Books & Music store.

### **General Business Taxes**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 5.7 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> -36.8 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> -36.8 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$397.8 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$12.2 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$12.2 Million

In general, it is not possible at this time to begin to discern patterns in this year's general business tax collections. Most general business taxes are paid in March and June of the fiscal year, with 40.0 percent of total tax liability due in March and 60.0 percent of total tax liability due in June.

Total general business taxes collected in the fiscal year-to-date August 2007 period were \$12.2 million, or \$7.1 million less than the \$19.3 million collected for the same period in FY 2007. Year-to-date growth in FY 2008 is -36.8 percent. The enacted growth is 5.7 percent. The Tax Amnesty program resulted in general business tax collections of \$21,414 through August 2006.

FY 2008 year-to-date business corporations taxes were down \$3.8 million, or -65.9 percent, from last fiscal year at this time, and were lower than the enacted business corporations tax estimate of 0.1 percent over FY 2007 final enacted collections. FY 2007 business corporations tax collections of \$21,414 were due to the Tax Amnesty through August 2006. In August 2007 a large business corporations tax refund was paid to a corporate taxpayer. On average, over the past five years, 5.2 percent business corporate tax payments are made through the first two months of the fiscal year.

Health care provider assessment taxes through August 2007 were \$9.4 million, an increase of 32.4 percent over the same period in FY 2007. The health care provider assessment collections flow more evenly into the general fund over the course of the fiscal year. On average, over the past five years, 14.4 percent of health care provider assessment tax payments are made by the end of August.

Bank deposit taxes tend to post irregularly until March, when the first 60.0 percent of total tax liability is due. Bank deposit taxes of \$2,022 were received through the first two months of FY 2008 as compared to nothing collected through August 2006. In July 2006, the \$3,000 erroneous posting was corrected by posting the revenue as financial institutions taxes in August 2006. Through August 2006, no bank deposit taxes were actually received. On average, over the past five fiscal years, only 2.1 percent of bank deposit tax payments are collected in the first two months of the fiscal year.

The insurance companies tax is down 14.2 percent year-to-date. Insurance companies tax collections through August 2007 total \$187,604. Insurance companies taxes tend to post irregularly until March, when the first 60.0 percent of total tax liability is due. On average, over the past five fiscal years, only 0.7 percent of insurance companies tax payments are collected in the first two months of the fiscal year.

Finally, public utilities gross earnings taxes were \$704,716 through August 2007, a decrease of 88.6 percent from collections of \$6.2 million through August 2006. This decrease is attributable to the \$5.6 million "Safe Harbor" payment made in August 2006. In September 2005, a public utilities gross earnings tax filer paid \$5.0 million in taxes related to FY 2005 in order to meet "safe harbor" provisions for its tax year 2005 estimated liability. In calendar year 2004, the public utility's gross earnings liability was \$29.3 million. In March 2005, an estimated payment of \$10.4 million was made and in June 2004 another estimated payment of \$14.0 million was made. In order to meet the "safe harbor" the public utility paid an additional \$5.0 million in September 2005. In August 2006 the public utility has again paid \$5.6 million to help meet the "safe harbor" for its tax year 2006 estimated liability. There has been no comparable payment made to date in the current fiscal year.

#### **Excise Taxes Other Than the Sales and Use Tax**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> -1.0 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 4.4 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 2.2 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$174.9 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$28.6 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$30.4 Million

Excise taxes other than sales and use taxes collected in the fiscal year-to-date August 2007 period totaled \$28.6 million or \$1.2 million more than the \$27.4 million collected for the same period in FY 2007. In FY 2008, June 2007 interstate trucking payments were made in July 2007 causing an understatement of \$1.8 million. In FY 2008 motor vehicle license and fee revenues were understated for the fourth straight year. In FY 2007, an understatement of \$2.3 million occurred in August 2006.

Rhode Island cigarette tax receipts are comprised of excise taxes collected on the sale of cigarettes, smokeless tobacco (which also includes cigars and pipe tobacco), and a one-time cigarette floor stock tax. The cigarette floor stock tax is imposed only when there is an increase in the excise tax on cigarettes. In FY 2007 and FY 2008 no increase in the cigarette excise tax was passed into law and, as a result, no cigarette floor stock tax revenues were collected in FY 2007 and none are expected for the current fiscal year. Total cigarette tax receipts for the first two months of FY 2008 were up 1.8 percent compared to the same period a year ago.

Finally, the change in cigarette consumption is determined. First, the value of the cigarette floor stock tax and smokeless tobacco products tax is netted out of the data. The result is a decrease in Rhode Island cigarette consumption of 1.4 percent for the first two months of FY 2008 versus the first two months of FY 2007.

### **Other Taxes**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 0.4 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> -20.2 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> -20.2 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$46.5 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$6.2 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$6.2 Million

Total other taxes collected through August of FY 2008 totaled \$6.2 million versus \$7.8 million in other taxes collected during the same period last fiscal year, a decrease of \$1.6 million, or -20.2 percent. Inheritance tax collections totaled \$3.6 million through August of FY 2008, a decrease of 23.8 percent from the \$4.7 million collected through the first two months of FY 2007. Given the fact that inheritance tax collections are volatile, it is not possible to make any valid comments about this revenue source. Racing and athletics tax collections through August of FY 2008 were down 0.6 percent relative to the same period in FY 2007, essentially flat. Realty transfer taxes were down by 17.4 percent through August of FY 2008 versus August of FY 2007. The enacted FY 2008 other taxes growth estimate is 0.4 percent over final enacted FY 2007 total other taxes.

### **Total Departmental Receipts**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 25.8 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 373.7 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 64.2 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$362.9 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$105.9 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$36.7 Million

FY 2008 year-to-date departmental receipts total \$105.9 million, an increase of \$83.5 million from the amount that was collected last fiscal year at this time. Actual departmental receipts for FY 2008 were up 373.7 percent when compared to receipts collected during the same period a year ago. The enacted FY 2007 growth estimate is 25.8 percent over final enacted FY 2007 departmental receipt collections. Adjustments are detailed below. It is important to note that, in the licenses and fees category of departmental receipts, the Hospital Licensing Fee for FY 2007 was not due until July 16, 2007 and the cash payment received in FY 2008 will be accrued back to FY 2007.

The Hospital Licensing Fee received in FY 2008 for FY 2007 accounted for \$66.8 million in departmental revenues. The first \$4.4 million of the Hospital Licensing Fee was paid in May 2007. Year-to-date registration fees collected by the Department of Business Regulation for the securities act were higher by \$504,900 through July 2007 as compared to July 2006. Further, insurance companies annual assessments were higher in July 2007 than in July 2006 by \$262,405. The \$684,606 collected through August 2007 insurance companies annual assessments were incorporated into the FY 2007 departmental revenues estimate. No insurance companies annual assessments were collected through August 2006. Additionally, \$434,277 was collected through August 2007 for the marina dredging tipping fee as compared to no collections

in FY 2007. Year-to-date intermediary hospital rate settlement payments were \$870,552 higher through August 2007 over the same period in FY 2007. These payments are received irregularly throughout the year and the Department of Human Services is making an effort to collect these payments at an accelerated pace. Finally, E-911 wireless and wireline surcharges collected through August of FY 2008 exceeded those posted through August 2006 by \$895,355.

In the sales and services category of departmental receipts, FY 2008 year-to-date growth is 872.6 percent over FY 2007 collections of \$1.6 million through August 2006. The FY 2008 increase in sales and service revenues is a result of the statutorily delayed posting of FY 2007 uncompensated care payments. The FY 2007 uncompensated care payment to the Eleanor Slater Hospital was \$12.9 million however these reimbursements for uncompensated care payments were shifted into FY 2008 in the FY 2007 Appropriations Act. The FY 2007 Appropriations Act changed the date the uncompensated care is required for FY 2007 to July 16, 2007, effectively FY 2008. The reimbursement was made on time however, due to the statutory change in timing this payment causes year-to-date departmental revenues to appear artificially robust.

Fines and penalties were up \$2.6 million through the first two months of FY 2008 versus the first two months of FY 2007. The majority of FY 2007 court collections were not posted through August. In FY 2008, the courts are transitioning to a new system and have posted timely receipts through August 2007. Finally, miscellaneous departmental revenues were down \$2.0 million, or -43.1 percent, through the first two months of FY 2008 versus the first two months of FY 2007.

Adjusting total departmental receipts for the hospital licensing fee and late FY 2007 Judiciary postings results in an adjusted growth rate of 64.2 percent, an increase of \$14.4 million over FY 2007 departmental receipts collected through August 2006.

### **Gas Tax Transfer**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 0.2 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 1.3 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 1.3 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$4.7 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$813,606	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$813,606

The Gas Tax Transfer is up 1.3 percent for FY 2008 through August when compared to FY 2007 for the same period. The enacted growth rate estimate for the gas tax transfer is 0.2 percent. In both FY 2008 and FY 2007, \$0.01 per gallon of the State's \$0.30 per gallon motor fuel tax is devoted to the general fund.

### **Other Miscellaneous Revenues**

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 108.1 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 842,310.6 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 842,310.6 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$140.3 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$124.1 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$124.1 Million

Other Miscellaneous Revenues were up 842,310.6 percent in FY 2008 when compared to the same period one year ago. FY 2008 year-to-date collections total \$124.1 Million compared to \$14,731 collected at this time last fiscal year. The bond proceeds from the sale of residual



Tobacco settlement money were posted to the General Fund in August 2007 in the amount of \$124.0 million. In June 2007, \$42.5 million of these proceeds were posted as general revenues thus, in June 2008, the year-to-date growth in other miscellaneous revenues is expected to remain substantial. The enacted FY 2008 growth estimate for other miscellaneous revenues is 108.1 percent over final enacted FY 2007 collections. The actual year-to-date growth in other miscellaneous revenues is not a surprise given the lack of consistency in typical receipt patterns.

### Lottery Transfer

Annual Growth Rates	<u>Enacted Growth Estimate</u> 5.4 %	<u>Actual YTD Growth</u> 9.0 %	<u>Adjusted YTD Growth</u> 9.0 %
Annual Dollar Values	<u>Enacted Revenue Estimate</u> \$339.7 Million	<u>Actual YTD Cash</u> \$29.0 Million	<u>Adjusted YTD Cash</u> \$29.0 Million

The Lottery Transfer to the general fund is up 9.0 percent, or \$2.4 million, in the FY 2008 fiscal year-to-date period compared to the same period last year. There were no changes made to the distribution of video lottery net terminal income (NTI) in the FY 2008 budget. In the first two months of FY 2008, the State's share of video lottery NTI grew 15.2 percent versus the same period in FY 2007. This exceeds the enacted growth rate of 5.3 percent passed by the General Assembly on June 30, 2007. The transfer to the State general fund from instant and monitor games is down 21.9 percent on for the first two months of FY 2008 versus the same period last year. The enacted FY 2008 growth rate estimate for instant and monitor games adopted by the General Assembly was 8.6 percent.



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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**  
**Year To Date Revenues**

	<b>FY 2007 August</b>	<b>FY 2008 August</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Enacted Estimate</b>
<b><u>Personal Income Tax</u></b>	133,976,953	139,614,553	4.2%	2.5%
<b><u>General Business Taxes</u></b>				
Business Corporations	5,698,189	1,944,852	-65.9%	0.1%
Public Utilities Gross Earnings	6,206,145	704,716	-88.6%	5.1%
Financial Institutions	131,621	4,173	-96.8%	-44.4%
Insurance Companies	218,626	187,604	-14.2%	31.4%
Bank Deposits	-	2,022	-	0.0%
Health Care Provider Assessment	7,088,680	9,385,739	32.4%	2.3%
<b><u>Excise Taxes</u></b>				
Sales and Use	159,451,600	158,268,995	-0.7%	2.7%
Motor Vehicle	3,309,604	3,850,074	16.3%	10.9%
Motor Fuel	6,000	259,811	4230.2%	0.0%
Cigarettes	22,227,786	22,635,576	1.8%	-5.8%
Alcohol	1,844,186	1,856,038	0.6%	1.8%
Controlled Substances	-	-	-	-
<b><u>Other Taxes</u></b>				
Inheritance and Gift	4,661,650	3,550,609	-23.8%	1.7%
Racing and Athletics	503,460	500,528	-0.6%	-10.3%
Realty Transfer	2,611,310	2,156,844	-17.4%	0.0%
<b>Total Taxes</b>	<b>\$ 347,935,810</b>	<b>\$ 344,922,134</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
<b><u>Departmental Receipts</u></b>				
Licenses and Fees	15,881,640	84,570,509	432.5%	
Fines and Penalties	156,693	2,766,707	1665.7%	
Sales and Services	1,633,124	15,884,154	872.6%	
Miscellaneous	4,681,874	2,665,629	-43.1%	
<b>Total Departmental Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 22,353,331</b>	<b>\$ 105,886,999</b>	<b>373.7%</b>	<b>25.8%</b>
<b>Taxes and Departmentals</b>	<b>\$ 370,289,141</b>	<b>\$ 450,809,133</b>	<b>21.7%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>
<b><u>Other General Revenue Sources</u></b>				
Gas Tax Transfer	802,802	813,606	1.3%	0.2%
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	14,731	124,095,500	842310.6%	108.1%
Lottery Transfer	26,600,000	29,000,000	9.0%	5.4%
Unclaimed Property			-	32.7%
<b>Total Other Sources</b>	<b>\$ 27,417,533</b>	<b>\$ 153,909,106</b>	<b>461.4%</b>	<b>23.2%</b>
<b>Total General Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 397,706,674</b>	<b>\$ 604,718,239</b>	<b>52.1%</b>	<b>7.4%</b>